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Request 09/801,649-Conf. #003948 **Application Number** For March 9, 2001 Filing Date Continued Examination (RCE) **Transmittal** Akira YODA First Named Inventor Address to: 2624 Art Unit MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 J. A. Thompson **Examiner Name** Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 2091-0234P Attorney Docket Number

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June

| 8, 1995, or to any design application. | | | |
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| Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114 Note: If the RCE is proper, a amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they w applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) er amendment(s). | ere filed un itered, app | less applica licant must r | ant instructs otherwise. If request non-entry of such |
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| ii. Otherb. x Enclosed | - | ř | |
| i. X Amendment/Reply iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) | | | |
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| Miscellaneous a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required) | | | |
| b. Other 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 | | RCE is filed | |
| a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, overpayments to Deposit Account No It is RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) | any unde | rpayment | of fees, or credit any |
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